

## CLAIMS

What is claimed is:

- 1 1. A rudder position indicator apparatus comprising:  
2 a cam coupled to a steering linkage bar of a watercraft; and  
3 a switch coupled to a fixed portion of the watercraft, wherein the cam  
4 activates the switch when a rudder of the watercraft is in a centered position.
- 1 2. The rudder position indicator apparatus of claim 1, wherein the cam is  
2 coupled to the steering linkage bar via a clamp hose.
- 1 3. The rudder position indicator apparatus of claim 1, wherein the switch is  
2 coupled to a fixed portion of the watercraft via one or more brackets.
- 1 4. The rudder position indicator apparatus of claim 1, wherein the switch is a  
2 micro switch.
- 1 5. The rudder position indicator apparatus of claim 1, wherein the switch is  
2 electrically connected to an indicator light located on a dash of the watercraft.
- 1 6. The rudder position indicator apparatus of claim 1, further comprising a  
2 plurality of brackets to secure the switch to the fixed portion of the watercraft,  
3 wherein the brackets are adjustable to adjust a sensitivity of the switch.
- 1 7. The rudder position indicator apparatus of claim 1, wherein the cam  
2 includes sloped sidewalls and a substantially flat top portion.

1        8.     A rudder position indicator apparatus comprising:  
2             a cam secured to a steering linkage bar of a watercraft; and  
3             means for contacting the cam when a rudder of the watercraft is centered;  
4     and  
5             means for indicating when the rudder of the watercraft is centered.

1        9.     The rudder position indicator apparatus of claim 8, wherein the means for  
2     indicating includes a light located on a dash of the watercraft.